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Will you send us one new pupil?

THE BACCALAUREATE SERMON.

To the class of '96 has been accorded the rare privilege in the school of having the Baccalaureate Sermon preached by the principal. Such an event has not happened at Indiana since the principalship of Dr. Fairfield. At the beginning of the services, which were held in the Normal chapel, the Senior Class occupied seats on the rostrum, for they were the choir as well as congregation. After the opening services the class descended from the platform and occupied the front seats, which had been reserved for them.

The order of services for the evening was as follows:—Doxology; Invocation; Hymn, "Come let us sing the song of songs;" Scripture lesson, I. Cor. XIII.; Anthem, by the Senior Class; Prayer; Hymn, "Oh, could I speak the matchless worth;" Sermon, I. Cor. XIII., 13; "And now abideth faith, hope, charity, these three; but the greatest of these is charity;" Hymn, "Saviour,

again to thy dear name;" Benediction.

The sermon, simple, strong, earnest, impressive, setting forth the excellence, the dignity, the ennobling and transforming influence of love, will long remain in the minds and hearts of the hearers that crowded the chapel. At the close of the more formal part of his discourse, Dr. Waller addressed himself to the graduating class alone, in recognition of which the class arose and remained standing: "Young ladies and gentlemen of the class of 1896, we have almost ceased to stand related as pupils and principal. The formal bond is almost worn away. Fibre is parting from fibre, and ere we are aware, it will have loosed. * * * * *

"Hitherto your way has been fenced, hedged in by limitations, restrictions. * * * * * Will you henceforth need no restraints? Can you be sure that you will always keep the road? There are weddings and funerals before, as there have already been sorrows attending many of you. In an experience of nearly 20 years I have never known a class having so many members bereaved of nearest kindred, so many called within one brief year to look into the open graves of fathers, of mothers, of sisters, and of brothers. Twice have the shafts of the dread destroyer stricken down a class-mate. These Providences are most significant. They are not accidents or mere coincidences. They are revelations repeated of the seriousness of life. They are messages to arouse you.

"What the Master has outlined for you as a class, we cannot discern, but it is no ordinary future. Will you realize it? Through faith and fellowship it may be realized. Let the love of Christ constrain you. Do not suppress it. Let this greatest of forces per-

vade your being and life. Let it be centered on the One altogether lovely. Then may be realized, and then only, the great purposes within your reach.

"And now may the God of peace that brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do His will, working in you that which is well pleasing in His sight through Jesus Christ. To whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen."

HUYGHENIAN ANNIVERSARY.

The Twenty-first Anniversary of the Huyghenian Literary Society was held on Monday evening, June 29 in Normal Chapel.

The President, Mr. J. C. R. Johnston, '93, delivered an excellent address. He made a strong plea for the abolishment of society electioneering, a sentiment in which many heartily joined him.

Miss Helen Coyle, of Altoona, formerly a student of music at the Normal, was Piano Soloist of the evening. Her interpretation of the Masters has made her a favorite among music lovers. Her selections were "Romance-Eb," by Rubenstein, "Valse, E. Minor," by Chopin, and "Novelette No. 5," by Schuman. It is sufficient to say that her friends, though expecting a treat, were not disappointed.

The only drawback to the evening's pleasure was caused by the illness of Mr. J. Elder Peelor who was to have delivered the oration. It yet remains to be found out what "The Idea" is.

Mr. W. H. Fulton, of the United Presbyterian Seminary, Allegheny, who has been teaching in the Normal this spring, sang, "The Spirit of the Deep," Camille Dabert.

The appreciation of the audience was shown by a hearty encore.

Next was a recitation by Miss Elizabeth Beighel given in her usual charming style.

Miss Margaret Furlong, of Brad-dock, sang, "As the Dawn," and kindly responded to the hearty applause by singing "Twickenham Ferry."

The Cosmopolitan Guitar and Mandolin Club entertained the audience in its usual charming manner, and so ended a pleasant evening with the Huyghenians.

The Chapel was made attractive by plants and flowers and the colors of the class of '96.

The anniversaries have hitherto been held earlier in the year but they have now been made a feature of Commencement week. This will undoubtedly be welcome news to the Alumni as that is the most pleasant time of the year to visit the school.

CLASS DAY.

Motto: "Finis Coronat Opus."

The chapel and stage were effectively decorated in bunting, straw and red, the class colors, with roses and rhododendron. At 2 p. m., Tuesday a large audience had assembled to hear the annual class day exercises. With Miss McCreight at the piano, to the music of the "Senior March," the class, headed by its officers, filed slowly in and took their places on the platform. The raised seats made it possible for the audience to look into every face. When they were seated, Mr. Chapman came forward, and with ease and grace delivered the

PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS.

Today marks a new era in the lives of the members of the Senior Class. For years we have been working for the end which this occasion celebrates. Since we have attained the desired good, we may look back over the past, and forward to the future, and attribute all we have gained or hope to gain to activity of mind and body. In the universe of God there is no rest. The moving planets form a grand procession to exhibit the harmony of

the divine purpose; through endless changes the earth becomes a dwelling place fit for man. Nor is the creative hand now idle. Streams change their courses, mountains are being leveled, and continents are emerging from the seas.

Without energy no movement in history has been inaugurated, no cause has triumphed. But a small portion of the human race actually beheld the face of the Nazarene or heard his voice, yet the influence of his life causes the Christian world to sympathize with the down-trodden Armenian, the enslaved Cuban, and the suffering of the storm-stricken cities. The mountains of wealth which are today heaped up by the avaricious represent unflagging energy exerted for years in one direction. Paradise Lost may be read in a few hours; but its writing occupied the best period of Milton's life. Great scientists have spent the greater part of their days in the study of only one page of the great book of nature. No enduring reputation is the accident of a day. To achieve anything of real worth means the expenditure of decades in the pursuit of one idea, in the accomplishment of a single purpose. Our work here has in a sense prepared us to comprehend the fact that great obstacles must be surmounted. As we toil up the mountain sides of difficulty, from the summit of achieved success in our mature age, we can look down on the vista below with feelings of pleasure and satisfaction.

This address was followed by the essay by Miss Anna R. Graff on

ETHICS IN LITERATURE.

The great advance in the art of printing or bookmaking has been equaled by the progress made in the art of illustrating. Going hand in hand as these arts do, they form a great power and influence. The printed page is made more potent by the skill of the artist; so both good and evil men encourage the artist to aid the printer in conveying what he would lodge in the public mind. The power of illustrating may be shown by an in-

cident in New York: Boss Tweed and Thomas Nast were contemporaries. The pencil of Nast, used on Tweed, so influenced the public that the head of Tammany was brought into court and cast into prison.

The wisest man said; "Of making many books there is no end." What would he say now? That there is a demand for the great number of books, magazines, and papers published is evident, or they would cease to be. Taking these as an approximate measure of the amount of reading done, is the intelligence of a community proportionate to the amount of reading it does? Many who read the most know and can tell the least. This failure arises from errors in method, quantity, or quality. Either the reading is not properly done, or there is too much reading, or what is read should not be read. A wrong method of reading will leave the person barren of opinions, convictions or sentiment on any topic. It is the story alone that interests them. There is danger of reading too much. Every book read should make an impression, should be the bearer of some truth, teach some lesson. If the reader rushes from book to book without reflection, how can he be benefitted? Reading should give pleasure as well as instruction. One can read for entertainment and yet be benefitted if the right book is selected. Reading adds to knowledge, gives power, moves, rouses and enlarges the reader. Through reading we know something of the forces that make the comforts of life, something of the social structure in which we live, and the religion in which we believe. The people now demand truth and reality in what they read. Of the many books written yearly, few are worth reading, few are fit to live. The Bible is the one exception to this. It is the potent factor in all civilization.

After the essay came a piano solo, "Ventre a Terre," by Miss Francis Goff, which was highly appreciated.

Mr. T. K. Saylor not being present Mr. S. M. Sebring delivered his oration,

LIFE'S COMPASS.

The pages of history are illumined with the lights of genius; men who have left posterity a rich legacy by their discoveries and achievement; men who are pioneers of progress and who sway the nation. The man who attains greatness often toils on in silence and obscurity until his time of triumph comes. The curtain which veiled his action rises, and he appears as a star actor in the great drama of life. In truth he is only an ambitious, hard worker. Work alone makes no man great. There is a hidden force called ambition which directs his efforts. Ambition is sometimes defined as an eager or inordinate desire to gain power or distinction; but to the thinking man, true metal as distinguished from the counterfeits is a desire to attain to a high ideal in life. Different persons have different ideals. One which kindles in the heart a fire and stirs to action and true achievement is the true ideal.

The hidden truths of science had the same relation to Newton as had the magnet to the needle of the compass. These truths did not flash upon him; but with the plan of the Divine in mind, he pierced the darkness that enshrouded nature's laws and revealed the secrets of the universe. We are prone to think the leaders are men of genius. But if the oil of genius be not constantly replenished, the light is surpassed by those lesser lights whose flames are fed by constant energy. Two things are necessary to success: work, and labor directed by a wise ambition. As the little compass guides the storm tossed mariner over the unknown deep and lands him safe in the harbor, so ambition guides our frail bark across the sea of life and brings us in triumph to the haven; while the man who lacks ambition remains inert upon his native shore.

Miss Alice W. Withington followed with a recitation, "The Down-hill Road," from Samantha Allen. Miss Withington is gifted with naturalness of expression and rare power of imitation, and appeared at her best in this

selection.

It was a pleasant surprise to the audience when the male quartette, Messrs. McCormick, Sutton, Leonard, and Craig rendered with acceptance, "That Little Peach." They responded to a hearty encore.

The second oration was given by Mr. Louis Lutton. His subject was

THE REAL FAILURE.

What is failure? The man of the world will probably say that it is the loss of wealth and social position to himself and family. The laborer with his dinner pail, as he pauses a moment to answer the question will tell you of a bank closing its doors upon the hard earnings laid up for the comfort of his family. This to him is failure. Ask the question of the man, the mistakes of whose early life are dragged out and held up to criticism so mercilessly that he flees from the barbed arrows, and he will say that his life is a failure. Inquire of the musician, and he will tell you of years of toil and self-denial; yet the world has not time in the race for distinction, to listen to his harmony. Ask the scientist and he will tell of an elaborate theory upon which the work of years is based, fallen to pieces; of delicate, costly experiment now valueless, of intricate calculations seeming now to hide the truth they were intended to prove.

But there is another failure, in the face of which, these are insignificant. Why it is that millions are spent for luxuries and only thousands given to charity; that the cries of the helpless and suffering in other lands are unheeded save by a few; that patriots at our door cry in vain for assistance to rid them from the tyranny of oppressors? There can be but one answer: Selfishness, the destroyer of fraternal peace, the parent of national and domestic strife reigns in the heart of men. In their desire for self advancement men fail to see the greatest, noblest element of a successful life; the element that sends Peatalozzi down the ages as a model for teachers. Man has forced his conscience into the belief that he can

find pleasure for himself alone. What a mistake! The doing of a noble deed gives a pleasure that the gratification of a thousand selfish desires cannot bring. Exist for yourself. Live for others. Let the example of the Great Teacher in his self-sacrifice and love for humanity point you to true enjoyment, and the world will be the better that you were born, and will know that your part in the great drama was not a failure.

Next came the exhibition of the

CLASS ARTIST.

Miss Charlotte Dickie's portfolio was brought to the front, and as a "Modern Mother Goose," borrowing her jingle from her ancient ancestor, she proceeded to explain to her admiring audience her works of art. We predict for her the fame in art that the adorable Mother Goose has long held in verse.

THE CLASS SONG

by Miss Anna E. McDonald was set to the music, "The Sweetest Story ever Told." At the close of the song the song class marched out of the hall and the audience well satisfied, dispersed.

COMMENCEMENT CONCERT.

Commencement concert, Tuesday evening, June 30, was well attended and the following excellent program was rendered:

PART I.

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| Sonatina, Op. 20, No. 3 | Kuhlau |
| Allegro Con Spirito | |
| Larghetto | |
| Allegro Polacca | |
| Miss Bessie Hammond. | |
| Quartette. There's One That I Love | Kucken-Hawley |
| Dearly | |
| Messrs. McCormick, Sutton, Leonard and Craig. | |
| a. Sonata, Op. 8, No. 1 | Anlon Krause |
| b. In the Lovely Month of May | Merkel |
| Miss Margaret Owens. | |
| Chorus. May Dreams | Abt |
| Edward Sutton and Senior Class. | |
| Ungarische Tange, Heft 11 | Johannes Brahms |
| Misses Rue Thompson and Martha McCreight. | |

PART II.

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| "Oh Hush Thee My Baby" | Sullivan |
| Misses Drenning and Hirth, Messrs. Sutton and Craig. | |
| a. Spanish Dances, Op. 21 | Moszkowski |
| b. Valse | Godard |
| Miss Rue Thompson. | |
| Song, "Call Me Back" | Denza |
| Mr. J. Lisle Apple. | |
| a. Spring Song, Op. 62 | Mendelssohn |
| b. Valse Favorite, Op. 118 | Joachim Raff |
| Martha McCreight. | |
| Bridal Chorus (fr. "Rose Maiden") | Cowen |
| Senior Class. | |

COMMENCEMENT ORATION.

July 1, was a perfect day; a day in harmony with the Normal School outside and in. The chapel was filled before the hour for beginning the exercises. At 10, the Trustees and Faculty marched into the chapel and took seats on the stage. They were followed by the graduates who filled seats immediately in front of the platform on both sides of the aisle.

After prayer by the Rev. Dr. Owens, the male quartette sang "The One That I Love Dearly." Dr. Weller then introduced Mr. William H. McElroy, LL. D., Editor of the Rochester *Post and Express*, orator of the day. He made a vigorous appeal for the development of the individual, the one man power. We give below an abstract of his lecture:

After speaking of the joy of the occasion the orator said: "The scholar is the favorite of heaven and earth, the example of his country, the happiest of persons. From the continent of lofty ideals, brilliant theories, to the world of the concrete, to the continent of practical endeavor.

"In the circumstances two cogent questions suggests themselves: What are you going to do with the world, and what is the world going to do with you? There are no advance sheets from the book of fate. The character of the world depends upon the citizens of the world. Grasp the world like a man of mind. Thoreau's friends used to say he could find anything he wanted in the Kingdom of Walden, even to red snow. He was a firm believer in the one man power. Make the most of the individual, but don't put too high estimate on yourself. Paul knew how to be abased and how to abound. Self conceit hurts its victim most. Paralysis of self distrust is the first law of self preservation.

"When the scholar reaches the world it tries to make him the victim of a surgical operation. It advises him to stand fast by the existing order of things. But the scholar with the modesty of true merit and sound boldness says, 'I have been educated at a

shrine of true learning. I will not subscribe to anything that does ring clear on that touchstone.' Try what the world would have you be, what she would have you do, by the criterion of right. It will be an arduous task to stand for your convictions, but it has its reward, the highest of which is the hope of immortality, the comfort of the soul and the key to the riddle of the universe. Death does not end all; it begins all. When standing for his convictions, the scholar realizes that he is a part of the force which is from everlasting to everlasting. If a man be right he can't be too radical; if wrong, too conservative. Goliath no doubt regretted that he had chosen David among his elective studies. Dr. Parkhurst is an example of the one man power, in his fight against municipal corruption. I plead for a full and fearless development of individualism, because the age tends to suppress it. Knowledge comes; wisdom lingers. On all sides we see evidence of the withering of the individual.

"In union there is strength. But an association of weaklings will be a weak association. Develop the individual for the benefit of the masses. There is danger from unions; the man leans so hard on his union, his church, his lodge that he loses sight of his own individuality. Emerson says, Society is in conspiracy with its members. The individuality of the man is of no consequence. Let a man put individuality under, and he may reverse the most salient of all questions: What shall it profit a man if he gain his own soul and lose the whole world?

"It is a source of congratulation that individuality is not withering in American politics. Wendell Phillips excoriated his brother scholars the world over for faithlessness to their country. The criticism was just then, but is not today. The scholar is serving the public weal. Go into politics with your manhood and stay there during your active career. You owe the State a personal service; the country is our monarch.

"The prevailing spirit of our institu-

tions is better than ever before. Education is a public trust. Where much is given, much is required in the service of all. Education is justified of her children, when this world is a better place than they found it, a purer place, a wiser place. You are to be congratulated that you live in a time when these ideas hold place."

At the close of the oration the male quartette sang again, after which the class marched to the stage. Dr. Weller in his own happy way briefly addressed the class and conferred the degrees. The class then sang the "Bridal Chorus," the benediction was pronounced and for the last time they passed from the platform and out of the chapel.

GRADUATES.

Scientific.

Albert Carter..... Indiana, Pa

Elementary.

LADIES.

Lillian Thompson Armstrong..... Eldersridge, Pa
Catherine Barry..... Johnstown, Pa
Elizabeth Ann Beigel..... Altoona, Pa
Mary Hays Bell..... Altoona, Pa
Leah Virginia Bishop..... Pittsburg, Pa
Maud Muller Boucher..... Glade, Pa
May Bavington Burt..... Pittsburg, Pa
Elzora Gertrude Butler..... Elzora, Pa
Marguerite Calhoun..... McKeesport, Pa
Marion Frederica Christy..... Indiana, Pa
Jule W. Cohen..... Sharon, Pa
Elizabeth Ellen Craig..... Hookstown, Pa
Elizabeth Stone Davis..... Allegheny, Pa
Olive Gertrude Delamater..... Evans City, Pa
Ira Charlotte Dickie..... Blacklick, Pa
Zannibel Douthitt..... McKeesport, Pa
Amelia May Duff..... Allegheny, Pa
Amelia Mary Duvall..... Allegheny, Pa
Elma Clay Eisman..... Greensburg, Pa
Jessie Orilla Ellenberger..... Dayton, Pa
Roberta Ewing..... Elkin, Pa
Mary Eliza Fleming..... Belleville, Pa
Ada Rose Gallagher..... New Washington, Pa
Minnie Gertrude Gilmore..... Uniontown, Pa
Bella Agnes Glass..... Salina, Pa
Frances Evangeline Goff..... Johnstown, Pa
Jeannette Gorman..... Hortons, Pa
Anna Rebecca Graff..... Blairsville, Pa
Lyda Highberger..... Penn, Pa
Eva Amelia Hill..... Stanton, Pa
Lillian Maude Hirth..... Homestead, Pa
Margaret Laura Hood..... Zeller, Pa
Julia Catherine Hunt..... Elizabeth, Pa
Ida Estelle Johnston..... Indiana, Pa
Anna Mary Jones..... Indiana, Pa
Sara Jones..... Indiana, Pa
Etta Rachel Lewis..... Pittsburg, Pa
Winifred Loucks..... Scottsdale, Pa
Clara Menges..... Berlin, Pa
Gertrude McCracken..... Indiana, Pa
Anna Elizabeth McDonald..... Allegheny, Pa
Ira Evalena Newcomer..... Messmore, Pa
Carrie Idillia Noel..... Ligonier, Pa
Elizabeth Owens..... Indiana, Pa
Nancy Porter..... Saltsburg, Pa
Lila Purington..... Indiana, Pa
Lydia Hyde Roberts..... Irondale, O

Margaret Sampson.....West Newton, Pa
 Edna Sanson.....Indiana, Pa
 Lida Orr Scott.....Indiana, Pa
 Elizabeth May Snodgrass.....Bellevue, Pa
 Naomi Spears.....Turtle Creek, Pa
 Caroline Blanche Vaughn.....Johnstown, Pa
 Mabel Waller.....Indiana, Pa
 Agnes Wilson.....Indiana, Pa
 Alice Woodward Withington.....Indiana, Pa

GENTLEMEN.

James Fleming Chapman.....Georgeville, Pa
 John B adford Craig.....Hookstown, Pa
 John Ellis Gallagher.....Apollo, Pa
 John Francis Hammers.....Indiana, Pa
 William Emory Hyskell.....Smicksburg, Pa
 Thomas Johnston.....Markle, Pa
 Thomas Jones.....Ruble, Pa
 John Leonard.....Houtzdale, Pa
 Louis Franklin Lutton.....Shoustown, Pa
 William DeVore McCormick.....Armagh, Pa
 Charles Elmer Rink.....Indiana, Pa
 Tillman Saylor.....Johnstown, Pa
 Lawrence Monroe Sebring.....Grant, Pa
 Edward Hildebrand Sutton.....Indiana, Pa
 Royden Johnston Taylor.....Indiana, Pa

THE MEETING OF THE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

The Alumni Association met in the chapel on Wednesday evening. The class of '96 were elected and received as members of the Association, Prof. Fair explaining in a few well chosen words the peculiar fitness in a member of one of the oldest classes introducing the youngest one into the organization. The official welcome of the President was responded to by Mr. Chapman the class president and thus 71 members were added to our roll.

The election of officers for the ensuing year resulted as follows: Pres., J. G. Carroll '87; V. Pres., H. S. Bender '93; Sec., Margaret Cubbage '95; Treas., Sarah M. Gallaher '88. On the Refreshment Committee for 1897 were appointed Sarah Gallaher '88, George Feit '90, Nancy Portser '96; on the Executive Committee, M. C. Gordon '85, Mae Miller '94, Clara Cameron Langham '89.

Business over, the pleasure began by having Dr. Waller tell of the progress of the school during the past year. Although he had no great building improvements to report yet the growth has been steady along all lines.

Mr. A. W. Wilson, Pres. of the Board of Trustees and Mr. Thomas Sutton, Sec. of the Board each presented

their congratulations upon the addition of such a large class and upon the flourishing condition of the school.

J. Wood Clark, member of the Board of Trustees claimed fellowship with the class of '86 and urged still greater loyalty on the part of the Alumni to the furthering of the interest and power of the school. Dr. Dean, our former principal, expressed his pleasure in again meeting the Indiana Alumni and made a strong plea for more zealous work, if possible, on their part, especially faithfulness in the details of every day life.

Roland W. Guss '81 told of the work of our graduates in Colorado, calling Normal the mother of their schools and he emphasized the thought that Normal School work was as great an important in its place as that of Universities and Colleges.

Blanche A. Barnes '86 expressed regret at her inability to do more than give utterance to her warm regard for Alma Mater.

Mary Work Hogg '87 recently returned from Egypt, despite her loyalty to the Queen of England is a faithful American. Her varied experience has proved to her that the Normal education which she received was a better, more thorough and practical preparation for the life of the masses than that of College or University. Not that she wished to decry the one, for it is needful in its special place, but she desired to do all honor to that method of education which is the preparation for life work of so many of our citizens.

The Alumni and other visitors were received in the Parlor by Dr. and Mrs. Waller, Miss Leonard, President Wilson, Mr. R. M. Wilson '86, Miss Gilmore '96, Mr. Hammond '87 and Miss Birkman '86. With refreshments, music, promenading, reminiscences and the like the evening passed rapidly and after midnight reluctant steps could have been heard along the corridors betraying the fact that the Commencement of '96 had passed into the land of memories.

ATHLETICS.

The spring term has been a very busy one from the Athletic standpoint. The tennis courts have been kept in excellent condition and were much used by the students. We have never had a better base ball team than we have had this year. During the season fifteen games were played with the strongest teams in Western Pennsylvania. Normal won six games and lost seven, with two tie games.

On Friday, June 5, the Normal Ball team left Indiana for a trip to Grove City and New Wilmington.

After spending the night at Freeport they arrived in Grove City before noon on Saturday. Grove City College had a very strong aggregation of ball players but that did not frighten the Normal boys in the least. The game began with the two teams apparently pretty evenly matched, but at the end of the second inning, when rain stopped the game, the score stood 4 to 1 in favor of Normal.

Saturday evening, June 6, the boys left Grove City for New Wilmington where they were to meet the strong Westminster College team. Promptly at 3 on Monday afternoon the game began and although Normal played a strong game the Westminster boys played a stronger, and we were defeated with a score of 8 to 3. The boys, however, all seemed to enjoy the trip and arrived home safe and sound Tuesday morning in time for school work.

On June 15 the second game with Derry was played. Normal had defeated Derry in the first game 9 to 7, but this time Derry was as strong as Normal and the final score was a tie, 3 to 3.

Apollo came to Indiana on June 20 to show Normal how to play ball. It was the second game between the two clubs the first one being a tie 6 to 6. The game had hardly begun when it was evident that Normal had her war paint on and that Apollo was no match for her that day. The final score was 11-2 in favor of Normal.

On June 27 Normal was taught what ball playing was by the C. A. C. ball team of Braddock. Although Normal hit the ball hard the Braddock boys seemed to always get them. The Pittsburg papers spoke of the game as the finest seen in Braddock this year. The final score was 9-2 in favor of C. A. C.

Normal met its worst defeat of the season at the hands of Greensburg on June 30. Normal went to Greensburg on June 1 and won the game from the Greensburg boys, 11-10, so when the return game was played here it was supposed to be for blood, but Normal was out classed in every particular and Greensburg won without much effort. Score 17-4.

The last game of the season was played July 1 with Jeannette. Normal showed the kind of a game it was capable of playing and the most exciting game of the season was the result. Normal won by the close score of 3-2.

OUR ALUMNI

An unusually large number of our Alumni have this year been elected principals of schools. In Cambria county, of which Mr. T. L. Gibson '90 is its new County Superintendent, we have Miss Kate Empfield '87, principal of the Hastings Public Schools. Miss Mary L. Barry '90, Miss Mary Cooper '88, Miss Jennie McElheny '85, Mr. Tillman Saylor '95, are all elected ward principals in Johnstown. Mr. H. P. Johnston '87, is principal of the High School in the same city.

Johnstown is to be congratulated further upon its new City Superintendent of Schools, our J. M. Berkey of '78. Mr. Berkey served three terms as County Superintendent of Somerset county. His "Course of Study" has been widely adopted and he is regarded as one of the most enlightened educators in the state. With the corps of teachers he will be certain to gather about him, great things are in store for educational work in Johnstown.

Hon. J. W. McCreery the only male member of our class of '77; is promi-

nent in law and politics in the state of Colorado. He has held high offices there and more honors await him. Like his fellow statesmen of Colorado, he is a silverite and we learn from the Denver papers that after the St. Louis convention, he foreswore his allegiance to the Republican party to which he has always faithfully adhered and declared himself ready to follow a free coinage leader of what ever name or party.

Mrs. Hogg nee Mary Work '87 with her little daughter, Margaret, spent commencement week with us. Life in Egypt and in England has dealt kindly with her. "Not a paper or magazine that comes to the city of London is more eagerly read than the NORMAL HERALD," she enthusiastically declares. About the last of August she expects to return to her English home, whither she will be followed by the love and good wishes of her Normal friends.

Prof. Bible was one of the State Examining Board and he and Mrs. Bible were warmly greeted by their old Indiana friends. The Professor's success in building up the new Normal School at East Stroudsburg, has been phenomenal and he deserves all this and every other good that can come to him.

Dr. and Mrs. Dean graced our commencement season. The Doctor is now City Superintendent of Bridgeport, Ct., and his work there has attracted attention and appreciation.

Dr. and Mrs. Snyder were also to have been with us, but they were detained in Colorado by the illness of their children. They came east however, for the National Association at Buffalo after which they went to Conneaut Lake where the Doctor is an instructor in the summer school. His work upon his favorite subjects, psychology and child study, is exceedingly fine.

When we see Roland Guss and "Mattie Cameron" once more on the verandah or in the corridors we feel that "Time must have rolled back in its flight." Do we dream or is it

really 15 years since they graduated? And they have graduated at how many institutions since? Mr. Guss is now professor of natural science in the State Normal School of Colorado and the lady whom we have named is the good genius of his life and household.

The warmest sympathy of the HERALD is extended to Christina Cameron '89, and her two sisters, Anna and Katherine both '91, in the great loss they have sustained in the death of their father. Mr. Cameron had for a number of years suffered from a disease of the heart from which he suddenly died a few weeks ago. He was the most prominent man in the community in which he lived and his noble christian life is a benediction not only to his family but also to all who knew him.

Among the visitors at Commencement were the following well known people: Misses Margaret Cabbage, Allegheny; Elizabeth Pearsall, Jeannette; Helen Coyle, Cresson; Nellie Brown, Pittsburg; Vinnie Knappenberger, Greensburg; Mae Miller, Stewart; Mary Hopkins, Swissvale; Susanna McDonald, Allegheny; Bess Torrence, Pittsburg; Katharine Weiss, Greensburg; Eleanor Dyer, Pittsburg; Elizabeth Trout, Altoona; Hon. J. B. Hammond, Bolivar; James Wilson, Menno; J. D. Gamble, Pittsburg; R. C. Sturges, Homestead; John Gourley, Iddo Lewis, Horace Carmalt, Punxsutawney; John Lewis, Jeannette; Harry Matthews, Frank Barnhart, Johnstown; Alfred Lee, Oakmont; B. F. Scanlon, Mt. Pleasant; A. C. Gordon, Irwin; Agnes May Robbins, Robbins' Station; Flo Weaver, McKeesport; Laura C Cochran, Greensburg; Mr. and Mrs. Mac Isaac, Marchand; Anabel Stewart, Kittanning; Emma Pitts, Cherrytree; Ella Sturgeon, Elderton; Mary L. Berry, Johnstown; Edith N. Coffin, Mrs. Stevenson and daughter, Pittsburg; Mrs. Irwin, Big Run; Lillian Delamater, Johnstown; Loretta Dickey, Allegheny; Bertha Clements, Verona; Jeannette Woods, J. C. R. Johnston, Pittsburg; Mrs. J. J. Palmer, Renovo; Ella M. Soles, Braddock; Bertha

Cheesman, Library; Mary Hopkins, Mary A. Work, Swissvale; James T. Wilson, Menno; Florence Hazlett, Bellevue; H. D. Condon, Kellysburg; A. C. Gordon, Allegheny.

Almost all those named in the list belong to the Alumni and the school looks upon their return to their Alma Mater at commencement time as evidence of tender recollection and loyal friendship.

Mr. A. C. Gordon '89 boasts of attending the commencement exercises for 10 successive years, and Mr. J. B. Hammond '87, that he has missed but one commencement since his graduation. Our festivities are the brighter for their warm handshakes and genial smile. The HERALD's best wishes are for their continued popularity and success.

The event of this Commencement was the celebration of the decennial of the class of '86. Miss Birkman was its historian and she exerted herself nobly to obtain information from every member of the class and to bring as large a number as possible to the reunion. Success is certain to follow such effort and all who returned felt, when the week ended, that they had had a delightful time and would look forward with pleasant anticipation to a reunion which is planning of '85, '86, and '87 at Indiana or may be Pittsburg in the year 1900. We should say the former place because the year named will be the quarter centennial anniversary of the school, a time which trustees, faculty, and students, will unite to celebrate with worthy ceremony.

The following members of the class arrived, most of them by Monday of Commencement week: Elmer W. Allison, John S. Fisher, Ida Story Warnock, O. H. Warnock, Mary C. McKibbin, R. M. Wilson, Louisa E. Starz, Sara Birkman, Katherine H. Marion, Agnes Morrow Scandrett, Ella Crawford Clark, Elizabeth E. McFadden, Blanche A. Barnes, E. Walker Smith, Sara Gilfillan Ralph, Mary McCormick, Annie M. Mac Munn, Emma J. Ruffner, Margaret Cannon, Walter H. Jackson, Jennie Hamill, Mary Tiffany

Allison, H. H. Fisher.

'96 wisely adopted the colors of '86 so when our visitors arrived they found dining room and hall decorated in straw and maroon. One of their number more skeptical than the rest, had written class reunions and class histories alike are a bore, but she left saying, "It has all been delightful and the week entirely too short." Among other pleasant things, Miss Birkman gave an evening reception, at which the class history was read to listening ears and attentive hearts. Her opening sentence "Ten years of life, ten years men and women out in the active world. Ten years! It does not sound long, nor has it seemed long to us, yet it has been long enough for some of our number to complete their full life course and too short for others for a right beginning. Whatever the years have held of joy or sorrow, pleasure or pain, of fulfilled ambition or shattered ideals, today we come as men and women, and in this pleasure spot of Earth's journey, pause for greeting and interchange of thought. We can understand each other now as never before. Our experiences form the lexicon by which we read the hearts of others and judge more leniently than of yore." She led us to reflections upon the great influence that this one class alone had exerted upon the lives of others, and then followed statistics. The class originally numbered 52; 20 are married, increasing the number by associate membership, to 72. Six have died. Fourteen of the class are still teachers; of these, two are principals, one a teacher in High School, one in a Normal School, and one is a specialist. There are two students, one at Wooster, and one at Ann Arbor. Among the gentlemen we find three lawyers, one editor, and one cashier of a bank.

In the personal histories which followed, many were racy and bright and all were enjoyed, for is not all life interesting? Our space is too short for us to quote, as we should love to do, from the letters read from Professors Durling, Fair, and Dill.

SCIENCE CIRCLE.

At the annual meeting of the Science Circle, held during Commencement Week, some very important business was transacted, to which we call the attention of the Alumni; and especially of those who are already members of the circle, but were unable to attend the meeting.

The first business in order was the election of officers for the ensuing year. J. C. Reed Johnston, Bennett, Pa., was re-elected Pres.; Prof. C. B. Robertson, Vice Pres, and Albert F. Carter, Normal School, Sec.-Treas. There were also twelve names proposed and the persons elected as members of the circle.

For some time it has been clear that a more general name should be adopted, than that by which the circle has been known. It was therefore decided to call the organization the "Science Circle" of the Normal School, Indiana, Pa.

Several ladies having, during the past year, expressed a desire to join the circle, an amendment was made to Art. IV of the constitution, by striking out the word *male*, thereby making it read "Membership shall consist of active members only, elected by a unanimous ballot from alumni, etc." A number of ladies have already been enrolled.

It was also decided at this meeting that each member should pay an annual due of one dollar, this amount to be sent to the treasurer before the first of April in each year.

The committee on "Outline of Work" suggests that each member select some subject for especial study during the year and forward the title of same to the secretary not later than the first of Nov. The papers, drawings, or any material on the subject to be sent in not later than the first of June following. From these papers the executive committee will select those most suitable to be read at the annual meeting held during Commencement Week. It is expected that every member will

take up some line of original investigation and as far as possible accompany papers with the object themselves or failing that, with drawings or plans. Members will be notified early in the year of the subjects most likely to be taken up at the annual meeting.

Alumni and those interested in the school, are earnestly requested to forward specimens of interest in any department in order that the collection owned by the circle may be increased. Heavy specimens may be sent by freight, charges collect.

A copy of the constitution and any information respecting the circle may be obtained by application to the secretary, Albert F. Carter, Normal School, Indiana, Pa.

A RECEPTION TO THE SENIOR CLASS.

The most enjoyable occasion of this year was the reception given by Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Sutton, Thursday evening, June 25, in honor of their son, Edward, who is a member of the class of '96.

The evening was beautiful, and by 9:30, the spacious and elegant home of Mr. and Mrs. Sutton was filled with sober Trustees, dignified Faculty, and happy Seniors.

Mr. and Mrs. Sutton and son received the guests in the parlor which was artistically decorated with ferns and rhododendron.

The library, dining room and reception hall, were decorated, carrying out as far as possible the colors of the Senior class—maroon and straw.

About 10:30 the guests were seated and refreshments were served. These also carried out the class colors. During refreshments the hostess presented each of her guests with a tissue paper leaf on which was written a conundrum, bright and original, often containing a pun upon names of members of the class or allusions to class jokes.

After refreshments, two large screens which had stood suspiciously at one side of the library were removed ex-

posing a novel store presided over by Mrs. Jackson and Master John Sutton. Here each guest selected a tab from the alluring stock lying upon the table. It proved that a souvenir was attached to each of these, the displaying of which occasioned shouts of laughter.

All too soon the hour came for saying good night to our generous host and hostess and the gay company dispersed feeling that the evening spent with Mr. and Mrs. Sutton was an event in our school lives to be long and happily remembered.

NORMAL NOTES.

The "Senior March" composed and published by J. Lisle Apple of Indiana is a sprightly, popular piece of music dedicated to the class of '96, I. S. N. S.

Miss Anna Given, '85, gave the science department the skin of a "Kurite," a poisonous snake of India. We appreciate such thoughtfulness. Let us express the wish that others may add to our curiosities.

Miss Emma Robertson, sister of Prof. Robertson, has spent the past month at the Normal School. Their younger sister, Floy, was here during commencement week.

Dr. J. B. McBride lately spent a few days at the Normal.

The beauty of our grounds led to constant exclamations of delight from commencement guests. Hon. Henry Houck declared that there was nothing in the State as fine.

A large number of the papers written by our Senior Class in English, with material showing their work in Shakespeare, Milton, etc. were sent to Smith College. The Secretary of the College writes that the English at Indiana amply qualifies her pupils for admission to either the English or classical courses at Smith.

Dr. C. W. Deane and wife and their little daughter, Muriel, recently visited friends in Indiana. They were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Sutton. Dr. Deane is pleasantly remembered by many of the Alumni of the Normal School. He was Principal

'92 and '93, and resigned to take the superintendency of the schools of Bridgeport, Conn., which position he now holds.

Miss Clarke and her mother left for their home in Lowell, Mass., June 25.

Prof. Chambers will study at Cornell during the summer; Miss Emma Davis, at Harvard; Miss Gallaher, at the University of Pa.

The degrees of B. S. and A. M. were conferred on Prof. Robertson at the commencement of Westminster College, June 17.

An oxyhydrogen lantern has lately been added to the apparatus of the school.

Miss Ida E. Johnston, of the Senior Class was called to the bedside of her mother who was taken ill and subsequently died while visiting near Pittsburgh. Miss Johnston and her family have the sympathy of the school and the town.

As usual at Indiana, so this year every student submitted to the Board of State Examiners—Seniors, Juniors, and Sub-Juniors, passed. How many other schools in the State can make such a showing?

We hear of weddings and rumors of weddings among our old students. Will not some one in each case send us the details? We are always interested and love to tell good news, but how can we unless you are good enough to take the pains to inform us? Write to Miss Leonard.

A very cordial welcome was given Miss Helen Coyle, a former music pupil of Miss Kennedy, who returned to take part in the anniversary exercises of the Huyghenian Literary Society, Monday evening of Commencement week. Miss Coyle's rendering of choice selections from Rubinstein, Chopin and Schuman, displayed a cultivation of the artistic sense, which has always characterized her performances.

Mr. DeLancy Corlett has resigned his position as teacher of Manual Training in this school to accept a similar position in Fourth ward, Pittsburgh, Pa.

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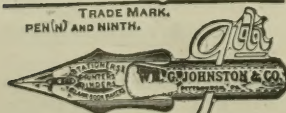
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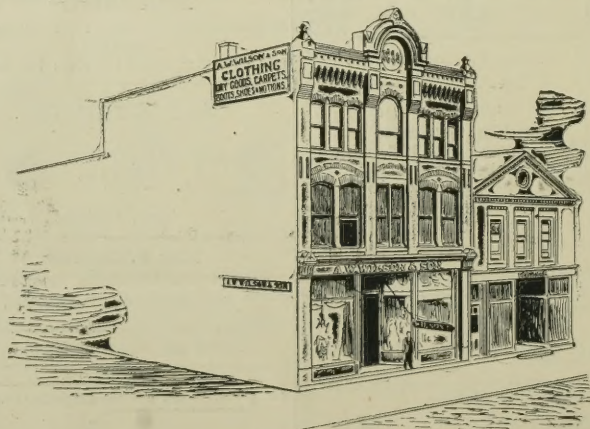
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